



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 606**

*February Session, 2004*

House Bill No. 5585

*House of Representatives, April 15, 2004*

The Committee on Appropriations reported through REP. DYSON of the 94th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

## ***AN ACT CONTINUING THE DEPARTMENTS OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION AS SEPARATE AGENCIES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (*Effective June 1, 2004*) Sections 146 to 148, inclusive, of
- 2 public act 03-6 of the June 30 special session are repealed.

This act shall take effect as follows:

Section 1	<i>June 1, 2004</i>
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**ENV**      *Joint Favorable C/R*

APP

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The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

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### ***OFA Fiscal Note***

#### ***State Impact:***

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 05 \$	FY 06 \$
Department of Agriculture	GF - Cost	See Below	See Below
Consumer Protection, Dept.	GF - Cost	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

***Municipal Impact:*** None

#### ***Explanation***

Repealing sections 146, 147 and 148 of PA 03-6 JSS, maintains the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Consumer Protection as two separate agencies. This is estimated to eliminate a personal services savings in FY 05 of approximately \$250,000 and the associated savings in fringe benefit costs as reflected in sHB 5033, the state budget, as favorably reported by the Appropriations Committee.

**OLR Bill Analysis**

HB 5585

***AN ACT CONTINUING THE DEPARTMENTS OF AGRICULTURE  
AND CONSUMER PROTECTION AS SEPARATE AGENCIES*****SUMMARY:**

This bill eliminates the merger of the departments of Agriculture and Consumer Protection that was authorized by PA 03-6 of the June 30 Special Session and which is scheduled to take effect July 1, 2004. It leaves both as stand-alone departments. It also makes conforming changes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 1, 2004

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference

Yea 27      Nay 0

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 49      Nay 0